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Report of the 2008 United Nations/Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations Pledging Conference for the World Food Programme

A. Opening and duration of the session

1. The Conference was held at United Nations Headquarters on 10 November 2008.

2. The Conference was opened by the Director, Office for ECOSOC Support and Coordination, Department of Economic and Social Affairs of the United Nations Secretariat.

B. Attendance

3. The Conference was attended by representatives of the Governments of the following States: Algeria, Chile, China, Croatia, the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, Djibouti, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Iceland, Indonesia, Kuwait, Luxembourg, Mauritania, Mexico, Monaco, Montenegro, Morocco, Myanmar, the Russian Federation, Rwanda, Samoa, Singapore, Spain, Sri Lanka, Thailand, Tunisia, Turkey and the United Arab Emirates.

4. Representatives of the following organs, organizations and bodies of the United Nations and the specialized and related agencies also attended the Conference: the United Nations Children's Fund, the United Nations Development Programme, the United Nations Development Fund for Women, the United Nations Population Fund, the World Food Programme and the World Meteorological Organization.

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C. Documentation

5. The Conference had before it the following documents:

(a) Draft report (A/CONF.209/2008/L.1);

(b) Background note on the World Food Programme.

D. Announcement of pledges

6. The Conference heard the announcement of pledges to the World Food Programme by a number of Governments and took note of the fact that, while several Governments were not in a position to announce their contributions, they did propose to communicate their announcement of such contributions to the Secretary-General as soon as they were in a position to do so after the closure of the Conference.